

State of California
Department of Parks and Recreation

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
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PROJECT TITLE: Remove Historic Pepper Tree at Fisher Hanlon House

LOCATION: Benicia Capitol State Historic Park

COUNTY: Solano

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

Remove decaying pepper tree from the gardens of the historic Fischer-Hanlon House at Benicia Capitol State Historic Park to protect the historic carriage barn and restroom building from destruction by falling tree limbs. Work will remove the tree while retaining the stump for future age-dating. Replacement will be considered after further research and evaluation. Project protects public safety and supports continued use and maintenance.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Diablo Vista District

EXEMPT STATUS:

☒ Categorical Exemption

Class: 1, 31 Section: 15301, 15331

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

Project consists of the maintenance and minor alteration of existing public facilities involving no expansion of use beyond current levels and maintenance, of historical resources, in a manner consistent with the Secretary or the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Properties with Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring, and Reconstructing Historic Buildings (1995), Weeks and Grimmer.

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